

Alternative Preparation/Endorsement Options (MA)

Central Michigan University

- I. **Qualifications:** In order to be eligible for the Alternate Preparation/Endorsement Certification, teachers must meet the following criteria:
- Be currently certified to teach grades 6 – 12 in any subject in the State of Michigan
 - Have a minimum 6 years teaching experience in public, private or charter school(s)
 - Have taught sexuality education and/or health education before January 1, 2007
- II. **Program Requirements:** In order to receive the Alternative Preparation/Endorsement, teachers must complete 20 credits in health education including all of the following:

HSC 640 Curriculum & Program Planning in School Health Education 3 Credits

HSC 646 Methods of Teaching Health Education 3 Credits or

- May be waived by completion of a minimum of 5 days *Michigan Model for Health*® training at the secondary level. (Waived coursework not applicable toward credit.)

HSC 536 Health Education Assessment 3 Credits

- Site, dates, time and instructors will be announced. This course will be offered on campus and possibly off site in 2008. This requirement can be taken conjunction with SCASS-HEAP assessment coursework offered through LearnPort. Contact the Michigan Department of Education for information regarding this on-line option.

HSC 580 Workshop in Sexuality Education 2 credits or

- May be waived by completion of a minimum of 4 days sexuality training at ISD Possible topics: HIV/AIDS, Strategies for teaching Sex Education (secondary), Sex Education Law*, Sexual Harassment/Acquaintance Rape Prevention, Sexual Minority Youth. *This component is required for waiver within the total of 4 days, and one must be within the past two years for current Michigan Sex Education Law update. . (Waived coursework not applicable toward credit.)

III. The remaining required credits to total 20 may be obtained by:

1. Previous undergraduate or graduate level health courses determined through the evaluation of official transcripts by Central Michigan University advisor, Health Sciences Division.
2. Up to 8 credits toward endorsement may be obtained by verifiable classroom teaching experience (prior learning credits) at the secondary level. Applicants must submit documentation of prior learning with the submission of required documents for review by university board to determine the number of credits granted. Documentation/requirements may include: classes taught, letters of verification from school(s) administration personnel in which the classes were taught stating that the applicant successfully completed teaching health education classes, level(s) taught, portfolio demonstrating proficiency in developing and conducting successful health education courses at the secondary level and other guidelines described within the application. See CMU website: <http://www.cel.cmich.edu/prior-learning/default.html> for further information regarding the process. Student will be responsible to pay for credits gained for prior learning credits as per university policy. (\$50.00 - \$75.00 per credit) Informational meetings will be scheduled to assist in the prior learning portfolio process. Attendance at these informational meetings, though not required, aide in the successful completion of the process to gain these credits.
3. Additional online or site based courses in health education. Course availability though Intermediate School Districts in Genesee, Bay Area, and Traverse Bay Area and Gratiot/Isabella are planned. Dates to be announced.
4. CMU courses available online through CMU:
 - a. HSC 523 AIDS Education – 1 credit
 - b. HSC 529 Alcohol Education Workshop - 1 credit
 - c. HSC 530 Drug Abuse Workshop – 1 credit

IV. Successful completion of the MTTC in Health Education. Online registration at: <http://www.mttc.nesinc.com/> for Test Selection # 43

Listed below is an example how in-service teachers might meet this 20 credit hour endorsement at Central Michigan University:

Credits taken:

3 Credits - HSC 640 Curriculum & Program Planning in School Health Education

3 Credits – HSC 536 Assessment in Health Education

Waived Required Coursework:

Methods in Teacher Health Education (HSC 646) - waived by 5 days of curriculum training at ISD in *Michigan Model for Health*®

Prior Learning Credits:

5 credits through committee review of portfolio submission according to the university guidelines.

Undergraduate/Graduate Coursework (determined from official transcripts)

3 credits Personal Health

3 credits Anatomy and Physiology

3 credits Sexuality Education

Total: **20 credits**

Application process begins by contacting:

These guidelines will be determined. The ProfEd website: <http://www.cel.cmich.edu> will have future access to this program, as other off-campus programs. When the application guidelines are determined, and course schedules set, teachers who meet the qualifications for admission specified in **section I** of this document may apply for admission to the alternative preparation program in Health Education. This should be in place by mid-summer, and the course offerings to begin in fall. All required courses will be offered at times when in-service teachers will be available to attend. (evenings, weekends, or summer sessions). Possible sites for courses will be at Intermediate School Districts throughout Mid-Michigan. Genesee ISD (Flint), Bay Arenac Area ISD, (Saginaw), Isabella ISD (Mt. Pleasant), and Traverse Area ISD have indicated interested in hosting these courses through the next three years to allow teachers to obtain this alternative preparation endorsement. The first year's schedule will be available in time for registration in fall 2007.

Future applicants who would like to begin working toward this endorsement can:

- Mail their unofficial transcripts, along with the transcript assessment form to Su Nottingham, Central Michigan University, School of Health Sciences, 1165 Health Professions Building, Mt. Pleasant, Michigan 48859. This is separate from the application for admission, and will help determine what courses will be required for each applicant. Indicate on the mailing envelope in bold letters: **ALTERNATIVE PREPARATION**, so materials will be forwarded during the summer.
- Begin the Prior Learning Credit option, by attending a workshop regarding this process that will be offered at Intermediate School Districts and sights throughout Michigan. These workshops are free of charge, and though, not required for portfolio submission, greatly increase the success rates for applicants in receiving the highest number of allotted credits. These prior learning credits are only accepted at Central Michigan University, and a minimum of 5 credits must be taken at CMU before these credits will be applied toward this program.

Transcript Assessment Form

Name _____ Email _____

Address _____

City _____ Zip _____ Phone _____

List below the courses represented on the attached transcripts (may be unofficial copies) that should be considered to apply toward the alternative preparation endorsement at Central Michigan University. Indicate the information listed, and mark or highlight the course(s) to be considered by the representative of the university.

Course Name/Number	Year Taken	Grade Received	University/College
HSC 106 Personal Health	1997	B+	Central Michigan University

Indicate below which course(s) you will be applying for waiver. If a waiver is granted for either of the following, credits for health related courses must be taken in place of these courses to total 20 credits. The waivers must be substantiated with proof from the Intermediate School District indicating dates, and number of hours/days trainings were taken. (Certificates of attendance at ISD trainings must be copied and submitted before waiver is granted, though not required for this exploratory request form)

_____ HSC 646 Methods of Teaching Health Education

_____ HSC 580 Workshop in Sexuality Education

Will you be applying for Prior Learning Credits? If so, indicate the number you believe you can obtain. (1-8) _____

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